

## 1 IN THE CLAIMS

2 1. (Currently Amended) A lottery ticket distribution system including:

3 (a) a ticket distribution center including an electronic ticket storage device for storing  
4 a game set comprising a number of electronic lottery tickets to be distributed to  
5 players using the system, each electronic lottery ticket being represented by ticket  
6 data that includes at least a result and a ticket identifier associated with the  
7 respective electronic lottery ticket;8 (b) a ticket record manufacturing device operatively connected with the ticket  
9 distribution center and located at a secure location inaccessible to game the  
10 players, the ticket record manufacturing device for producing a non-volatile data  
11 record or a hard copy ticket record for each respective electronic lottery ticket in  
12 the game set prior to a ticket request corresponding to the respective electronic  
13 lottery ticket, the ticket record manufacturing device also being distinct from the  
14 electronic ticket storage device;15 (c) a player terminal for receiving from the ticket distribution center the ticket data  
16 representing one of the electronic lottery tickets, the player terminal residing at a  
17 location remote from the ticket distribution center;18 (d) a player ticket printer included with the player terminal, the player ticket printer  
19 for printing a player ticket with the result and a ticket identifier included in the  
20 respective ticket data; and21 (e) a communications arrangement for facilitating data communications between the  
22 ticket distribution center and the player terminal.  
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- 1        2.        (Original) The system of Claim 1 wherein the ticket record manufacturing device  
2                comprises a hard copy printer that produces the hard copy ticket record for each electronic  
3                lottery ticket in the game set.  
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- 5        3.        (Currently Amended) The system of Claim 1 wherein the ticket record ~~storage~~  
6                manufacturing device comprises an optical disc writer that produces the non-volatile data  
7                record for each electronic lottery ticket in the game set.  
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- 9        4.        (Original) The system of Claim 1 further including a display operatively connected to the  
10                player terminal for displaying the result included in the respective ticket data in response  
11                to a player input at the player terminal.  
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- 13        5.        (Original) The system of Claim 1 wherein the ticket distribution center includes a  
14                manufacturing computer for manufacturing the game set.  
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- 16        6.        (Currently Amended) A method for distributing lottery tickets, the method including the  
17                steps of:  
18                (a)        at a ticket distribution center, storing a game set comprising a number of  
19                electronic lottery tickets to be distributed to players using the system, each  
20                electronic lottery ticket being represented by a respective collection of ticket data  
21                that includes at least a result and a ticket identifier associated with the respective  
22                electronic lottery ticket;

- 1 (b) prior to a ticket request for any electronic lottery ticket in the game set at the  
2 distribution center, producing a game set record at a secure location and securing  
3 the game set record from access by ~~game~~ the players, the game set record  
4 comprising a set of non-volatile data records including a respective data record for  
5 each respective electronic lottery ticket in the game set or comprising a set of hard  
6 copy ticket records including a respective hard copy ticket record for each  
7 respective electronic lottery ticket in the game set;
- 8 (c) communicating the ticket data representing one of the electronic lottery tickets  
9 over a communications arrangement from the ticket distribution center to a player  
10 terminal at a location remote from the ticket distribution center; and
- 11 (d) at the player terminal location, printing a player ticket with the result and ticket  
12 identifier included in the respective ticket data communicated from the ticket  
13 distribution center to the player terminal.

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15 7. (Original) The method of Claim 6 further including the step of generating the game set at  
16 the ticket distribution center.

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18 8. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 6 wherein the step of communicating the  
19 ticket data representing one of the electronic lottery tickets is performed in response to a  
20 player input at the player terminal.

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1 9. (Original) The method of Claim 6 further including the step of storing the respective  
2 ticket data while different ticket data representative of a different one of the electronic  
3 lottery tickets is printed on a different player ticket in response to a play request entered  
4 through the player terminal.

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6 10. (Original) The method of Claim 6 further including the step of storing the respective  
7 ticket data while different ticket data representative of a different one of the electronic  
8 lottery tickets is printed on the player ticket in response to a play request entered through  
9 the player terminal.

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11 11. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 6 further including the steps of:

- 12 (a) communicating ~~different~~ additional ticket data representing a different one of the  
13 electronic lottery tickets over the communications arrangement from the ticket  
14 distribution center to the player terminal;  
15 (b) at the player terminal location, printing the player ticket with the result included in  
16 the additional ticket data; and  
17 (c) at the player terminal location, displaying a representation indicating the result  
18 included in the additional ticket data.

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20 12. (Original) The method of Claim 11 further including the step of ejecting the player ticket  
21 in response to an end play signal.  
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1 13. (Currently Amended) A lottery ticket distribution system including:

2 (a) a ticket distribution center including an electronic ticket storage device for storing  
3 a game set comprising a number of electronic lottery tickets to be distributed to  
4 players using the system, each electronic lottery ticket being represented by  
5 respective ticket data;

6 (b) a ticket record manufacturing device operatively connected with the ticket  
7 distribution center and located at a secure location inaccessible to ~~game~~ the  
8 players, the ticket record manufacturing device for producing a hard copy ticket  
9 record for each respective electronic lottery ticket in the game set prior to a ticket  
10 request corresponding to the respective electronic lottery ticket, the ticket record  
11 manufacturing device also being distinct from the electronic ticket storage device;

12 (c) a player terminal for receiving from the ticket distribution center the ticket data  
13 representing one of the electronic lottery tickets, the player terminal residing at a  
14 location remote from the ticket distribution center;

15 (d) a player ticket printer included with the player terminal, the player ticket printer  
16 for printing a replica of the hard copy ticket record for a respective electronic  
17 lottery ticket; and

18 (e) a communications arrangement for facilitating data communications between the  
19 ticket distribution center and the player terminal.  
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1 14. (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 13 further including a display operatively  
2 connected to the player terminal for displaying the result included in the respective ticket  
3 data in response to a player input at the player terminal.  
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5 15. (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 13 wherein the ticket distribution center  
6 includes a manufacturing computer for manufacturing the game set.  
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8 16. (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 13 wherein the ticket record manufacturing  
9 device produces the respective hard copy ticket record for the respective electronic lottery  
10 ticket in the game set prior to the distribution of any of the electronic lottery tickets in the  
11 game set from the ticket distribution center.